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**Status Report****May 29, 2007**

Project name: Threatened and Impaired Watersheds Literature Review

Project Type: Technical Advisory Committee (TAC) Literature Review of Scientific Information on riparian buffers relative to anadromy and forest management

The Board has appointed a TAC to oversee a review of scientific literature on riparian buffers that will contribute information for the Board to revise the interim Forest Practice Rules for protection of listed anadromous salmonids (termed the Threatened or Impaired, or T/I rules, under 14 CCR §§ 916.9, 936.9, and 956.9). These rules expire on December 31, 2008, necessitating the review and formation of the TAC.

Status:

- The Board named the TAC members on September 22, 2006.
- The TAC has held 12 previous meeting with the last meeting held in Redding on April 18, 2007.
- The TAC has completed the Scope of Work and it was approved by the Board on May 3, 2007. It is posted on the web site for review by the public. The Scope of Work outlines goals, key topics and questions for the literature review to answers, and tasks pertaining to completion of the literature review. The literature review will be conducted by a private contractor(s) with oversight by TAC.
- The draft Request for Proposal has been sent to CAL FIRE contracting with a projected for official solicitation to potential contractors on July 1, 2007.
- The Board has proposed extending the existing T/I rules with a new expiration date of December 31, 2008. The Board will vote on adoption of this proposal at its July 12, 2007, regular Board meeting.

Milestone and Timeline:

- Solicitation for Request for Proposal by July 2007.
- Complete literature review by December, 2007.

More Information: http://www.bof.fire.ca.gov/board/board_proposed_rule_packages.aspx

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